Reply to Office Action of January 14, 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.

09/694,927

Applicant

Huang et al.

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Title

Food Product with Enhanced Crispiness

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Examiner

TRAN LIEN, THUY

Docket No.

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 14, 2004. A Petition for a two-month Extension of time to respond is provided herewith. Claims 1-3, 7, 9, and 25-26, 28-33 are pending in the application. In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the included remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.